(b) to (d) Does not arise.

Attack on Christians in Gujarat, M.P., Orissa and U.P.

210. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons injured/killed, the value of property damaged and the number of churches destroyed in attacks on Christians in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh during the last three months;

(b) the number of persons arrested in this connection in above States; and

(c) the steps takes by Government to stop attacks on Christians and churches, so far?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) A Statement indicating the number of persons injured/killed in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa and Uttar Pradesh in attacks on Christians/ Christian missionaries during November, 1998 to January, 1999 is enclosed (*see* below).

'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects as per the Constitution of India. The registration, investigation and detaction of crime as well as the prevention of crime are primarily the responsibsility of the State Governments. Details of individual cases are not maintained at the Central level.

After the recent incidents, the Chief Secretaries of the concerned States have been advised to issue suitable instructions to the district law and order enforcing authorities to respond immediately to the complaints relating to harassment of minorities and initiate prompt and effective action to identify and punish the guilty persons.

The Government is firmly of the view that acts of violence against any community, wherever and in whatever from they occur, must be dealt with sternly and exemplary punishment awarded to the perpetrators of such violence.

Statement

Incidents of attack on Christians/Christian Missionaries during November 98, December 98 and January 99

Name of States	Incidents	Injured	Killed
Gujarat	46	24	—
Madhya Pradesh	4	—	—
Orissa	4	1	5
Uttar Pradesh	1	—	—
Total	53	25	5

Rehabilitation of Kashmiri Migrants

211. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have finalised a package for safe rehabilitation of Kashmiri migrants in the Valley;

(b) if so, the details of the package and whether the migrants have expressed willingness to go back to their native places in the Valley; and

(c) what steps are proposed to provide them safety in the Valley?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) to (e) The Government of Jammu & Kashmir has intimated that the issue regarding return of Kashmiri migrants is on its top agenda. To achieve this objective, the State Government has constituted a Sub-Committee comprising Ministers of Revenue, Law, Finance and Tourism to examine the whole issue. Meanwhile, a social interaction programme has been initiated under